

Mormons passing through Iowa

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the practice of law at Nebraska City until June 27, 1884, when President Arthur appointed him agent of the Sioux Indians at Yankton, Dakota. Confirmation of the appointment was made December 11, 1884. He continued in this position until January 1, 1889, when he resigned and returned to Nebraska City. On January 29, 1889, he and his wife celebrated their golden wedding in the presence of their children and grandchildren. The same year they removed to San Diego, California, where Mrs. Kinney died May 1, 1895. In 1897 he became president of the Iowa Association of San Diego County, California.

In 1899 Judge Kinney returned to Salt Lake City, married a Mormon woman, and continued to reside there until his death August 16, 1902. Burial was in San Diego, California.

As a member of the Iowa Supreme Court, Judge Kinney established a reputation for ability and judicial fairness. Edward H. Stiles in his "Recollections of Notable Lawyers of Early Iowa," pp. 332-33, says, "He was a well educated, talented, bright young lawyer, and soon rose to prominence in the state. * * * He displayed great acumen and judicial ability. * * * Had he remained in Iowa, which he left while comparatively a young man, he would undoubtedly have added to his already excellent reputation there as a lawyer and a judge."

The *St. Louis Intelligencer* of the 5th says: During the past three or four days not less than one thousand emigrants of the Mormon persuasion have passed this city on their way to the Great Salt Lake. They are mostly English emigrants, and from appearances, quite intelligent as a body, and such as would make good citizens in any country.—*The Frontier Guardian*, Kanessville (Council Bluffs), Iowa, June 12, 1850. (In the Newspaper Division of the Historical, Memorial and Art Department of Iowa.)

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